

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New U.S. National Phase Application of)
Ilan ZIV et al.)
International Application No. PCT/IL99/00096) Attn: US DO/EO
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COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM) Date: August 24, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please treat the amendments made during the PCT International Phase as preliminary amendments in the U.S. National Phase of this application.

A copy of the amendments submitted during the International Phase is submitted hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please ~~amend~~ the claims as follows:

Claim ~~5~~, line 1, delete "~~any~~ of claims 1 to 4" and insert ~~-claim 1-~~.

Claim ~~6~~, line 1, delete "~~any~~ of claims 1 to 5" and insert ~~-claim 1-~~.

Claim ~~10~~, line 2, delete "~~any~~ of claims 1 to 9" and insert ~~-claim 1-~~.

Claim ~~12~~, line 2, delete "~~any~~ of claims 1 to 11" and insert ~~-claim 11-~~.

Claim ~~13~~, line 3, delete "~~any~~ of claims 1 to 11" and insert ~~-claim 1-~~.

Claim ~~14~~, line 3, delete "~~any~~ of claims 1 to 11" and insert ~~-claim 1-~~.

Claim ~~19~~, line 1, delete "~~any~~ of claims 16 to 18" and insert ~~-claim 16-~~.

Claim ~~20~~, line 1, delete "~~any~~ of claims 16 to 19" and insert ~~-claim 16-~~.

Claim ~~21~~, lines 3 and 4, delete "Claim 1 and 2, substantially as herein described with reference to the examples", and insert ~~-claims 1 or 2-~~.

N.E. Claim 22, lines 2 and 3, delete "(as hereinbefore defined)".

N.E. Claim 25, lines 1 and 2, delete ", substantially as described in Example 3.b.3".